

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION

MICHELLE SEMELBAUER, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

COUNTY OF MUSKEGON, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 1:14-cv-1245

HON. JANET T. NEFF

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ORDER

On February 7, 2017, the Court conducted a Motion Hearing on Plaintiffs' Motion for Joinder and Partial Renewal of Motion for Class Certification (Dkt 77) and a Pre-Motion Conference concerning the parties' proposed dispositive motions (Dkts 142 & 148). In accordance with the Bench Opinion issued by the Court:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Plaintiffs' Motion for Joinder and Partial Renewal of Motion for Class Certification (Dkt 77) is HELD IN ABEYANCE for the reasons stated on the record.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that counsel shall, not later than February 21, 2017, confer and reach agreement on the narrowing of the search terms relevant to the discovery request for electronic communications identified in paragraph 4 of Magistrate Judge Carmody's December 27, 2016 "Order on Motion to Compel" (Dkt 155 at PageID.2650), which counsel agreed was still outstanding.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendants shall produce said discovery not later than March 23, 2017.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that counsel shall contact the chambers of Magistrate Judge Ellen S. Carmody to schedule a Second Early Settlement Conference within 90 days of the date of entry of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the parties shall, not later than May 8, 2017, file a Joint Notice indicating:

- (1) that the parties have reached a resolution of this case, including an estimated time for filing dismissal papers;
- (2) that the parties request more time to negotiate a settlement, including an estimated time for completion; or
- (3) that the parties are unable to settle this case and further negotiations would not be productive at this time.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Requests for Pre-Motion Conference (Dkts 142 & 148) are DENIED without prejudice to re-filing fourteen (14) days after the filing of the Joint Notice if the case does not settle. The parties shall include a proposed briefing schedule with their renewed Pre-Motion Conference requests, including any proposals to supplement the Plaintiffs' Motion for Joinder and Partial Renewal of Motion for Class Certification (Dkt 77).

Dated: February 7, 2017

/s/ Janet T. Neff
JANET T. NEFF
United States District Judge